REMARKS

Claims 1-19 and 32 are currently pending and claims 5 and 19 have been subject to a species election requirement. The Examiner states that the claims are drawn to the following patentably distinct species: ATF5 antibody, siRNA, dominant negative ATF5, and antisense RNA. The Examiner has required an election from the identified species.

Applicants hereby elect dominant negative ATF5. Applicants submit that the election is made without prejudice to the prosecution of the subject matter of non-elected species in divisional, continuation, and continuation-in-part applications. Applicants reserve the right to rejoin the remaining species upon allowance of a generic claim. Currently, claims 5 and 19 are generic.

Entry of the foregoing remarks into the file of the above-identified application is respectfully requested. An early allowance is earnestly sought.

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